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SUBJECT: JEWISH CEMETERY IN MUKACHEVO

REF: MOSCOW 3112

1. DEPARTMENT AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ARE RECEIVING CONFLICTING STORIES FROM INTERESTED GROUPS REGARDING STATUS OF MUKACHEVO CEMETERY. ONE VERSION IS THAT BULLDOZERS HAVE RECENTLY BEGUN LEVELING THE CEMETERY. ANOTHER VERSION IS THAT BULLDOZERS ARE ON SITE BEING PREPARED FOR CONSTRUCTION NEAR THE CEMETERY, BUT THAT CEMETERY ITSELF WILL BE PRESERVED AS A MEMORIAL PARK. WE UNDERSTAND THAT APPEAL OF CONSCIENCE OFFICIALS RABBI ARTHUR SCHNEIER AND FORMER CONGRESSMAN DORN ARE PLANNING TO APPLY FOR VISA TO USSR FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF VISITING MUKACHEVO.

2. DEPARTMENT IS LIMITING ITS RESPONSE TO INQUIRIES TO INFORMATION ALREADY PROVIDED BY EMBASSY AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION POST MAY BE ABLE DEVELOP ON THIS SUBJECT.

3. PLEASE ADVISE IF EMBASSY HAS SUBMITTED TRAVEL NOTE

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FOR MUKACHEVO AND MFA RESPONSE.

4. INTERESTED MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ARE: JACKSON,
JAVITS, BUCKLEY, SOLARZ, GILMAN, AND ZEFERETTI. KISSINGER

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